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SUBJECT: WHEAT AND CORN SALES TO USSR

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1. INDUSTRY SOURCES REPORT THAT ALTHOUGH THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF SALE OF 250,000 MT OF WHEAT TO USSR THEY ARE CERTAIN ITS WAS CONCLUDED GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT ABOUT 10 DAYS AGO. SCHEDULE OF WHEAT SHIPMENTS 50,000 MT MONTHLY NOV THROUGH MARCH (MOSTLY NEW CROP) AT PRICE SLIGHTLY BELOW \$170.00 PER MT FOB. WHEAT WAS NOT REPEAT NOT ADDITIONAL TO PROBABLY SALES OF 150,000-300,000 MT REPORTED IN BUENOS AIRES 6758.

2. TRADE ALSO CONFIRMED SALE OF 100,000 MT OF CORN TO USSR WHICH WAS IN ADDITION TO SALES OF 50,000 TO 90,000 MT REPORTED IN BA 6758. CORN SHIPMENTS SCHEDULED AT 50,000 TONS EACH IN NOV AND DEC AT AROUND \$140.00 PER TON FOB.

3. STRONG RUMORS THAT GOA ALSO SOLD AN ADDITIONAL 200,000 TONS OF CORN TO AN UNDISCLOSED DESTINATION AT \$144.00 PER TON FOB. TRADE THINK SOME OF THIS CORN MAY GO TO SPAIN.

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4. INDIA ALSO RECENTLY PURCHASED 100,000 MT OF WHEAT IN ADDITION

TO THE 150,000 TONS REPORTED IN AR 4026 DTD 9/12/74.

5. NGB TODAY OPENED BIDS ON 150,000 TONS OF CORN WHICH HAVE BEEN
SUSPENDED SINCE SEP 9.

6. INDUSTRY SOURCES STATE THAT REPRESENTATION OF USSR PURCHASING
AGENCY (EXPORT KLEB) HAVE VISITED ARGENTINA IN PAST BUT
BELIEVE RECENT SALES WERE CONCLUDED THROUGH COMMERCIAL SECTION
OF USSR EMBASSY IN BUENOS AIRES.
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